



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09955.0025-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Frederic SGIER et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3733  
Application No.: 10/766,911 ) Examiner: Shaffer, Richard R.  
Filed: January 30, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 4613  
For: VERTEBRAL ARTHRODESIS )  
DEVICE )

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Supplemental to the Amendment and Request for Continued Examination filed on January 5, 2007 in response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a supplemental reply to the Office Action of July 7, 2006 and an Interview Summary directed to the personal interview held on January 23, 2007. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for a month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$ for the Extension is enclosed.


The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	24	-	22	2	x \$ 50	\$ 100.00
Indep.	2	-	2	0	x \$200	
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$360	
Subtotal						\$ 100.00
Reduction by ½ if small entity						- 50.00
TOTAL						\$ 50.00

- ☒ A fee of \$50.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this supplemental reply is enclosed.
- ☐ A fee of \$ to cover is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$50.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Dated: February 23, 2007

By:   
Elizabeth M. Burke  
Reg. No. 38,758